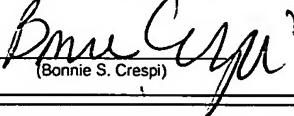


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on July 21, 2005 ("the Notice") for the above-identified U.S. patent application. A Request for Extension of Time accompanies this Response. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 30 of this paper.